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BEST CROP

That Farmers in This Vicinity Can Produce.

The prospects ahead of the farmers for this season make it imperative to plan for crops of positive value. It is not a time to gamble on the markets.

The surest crop, the earliest cash returns, the most profitable crop that can be produced in this vicinity is tomatoes, under a contract with the Louisa Canning Company. This contract will settle the question of market for you. The company is compelled to buy a crop if a contract is signed. Your crop is sold therefore before it is even planted. No guessing, no wasted efforts in finding buyers, no peddling no tomatoes rotting on your hands for lack of market. What better would any man ask?

The price is 25 to 35 per cent. higher here than in the largest tomato growing districts, and they cannot produce better than we can. A tomato crop does not require the best soil and it improves the land. A small investment in fertilizer, when needed, will pay big returns.

The farmer who has a number of children is especially equipped for handling a tomato crop. The picking can be done by women and children and this is the only part of the crop that requires extra help.

Every year that slips away from you with this opportunity unimproved is a year in which you lose money that is within your reach. Get out of the rut. Do not farm altogether as your ancestors did. Meet the demands of the time and profit thereby. Start now and improve your condition.

McClure-Cheek.

Joseph K. Cheek and Miss Daisy McClure were united in marriage at one o'clock, Friday afternoon, February 12, at the home of the bride's parents at Gallup. Rev. Williams, of the M. E. Church performed the ceremony. The affair was kept a secret from all except the bride's parents. The bride was attired in brown silk.

Mr. McClure entered the parlor followed by the bride and groom, who took their places in front of the minister, who married them.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Cheek received the congratulations of friends who were present. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McClure. She is a devoted Christian and a popular young lady in her large circle of friends.

The groom is a son of Isaiah Cheek and bears the reputation of integrity and industry he is a highly respected and Christian gentleman. We extend congratulations to him and his worthy wife.

A Friend.

Republican Primary April 3rd

The Republican County Committee met at Louisa last Friday and decided to hold a primary election on Saturday, April 3rd, to nominate candidates for county offices to be voted for next November.

The candidates are numerous and the fight is growing warm.

Dow McCoy, who was arrested on the charge of setting fire to the barn of William Thompson, on Little Blaine, last Thursday, is now in jail, in default of bail in the sum of \$500. Bill Mullins' dog located McCoy, and Squire John Hughes located Dow by committing him to the county jail to await the action of the April grand jury.

William Thornbury has sold to Atkinson Bros., of Carrollton, Ky., the finest lot of timber that the Sandy river has produced this season. There were about 1,200 splendid logs in all the rafts, which will be taken from here to the mouth of Kentucky river. Ashland independent.

Mrs. Sarah Bloss is hopelessly ill at Huntington from uremic poisoning. She is a sister of George C. McClure, of Gallup, this county, and of Prof. T. B. McClure, of Wayne.

A Change at Conley's.

Mr. W. Arlo Moore, watchmaker and graduate optician, is now in charge at Conley's store, in Louisa. Most of our citizens remember that he was here for several months about four years ago. He is a pleasant, courteous gentleman, thoroughly reliable and entirely competent to handle all work that may come to him in the line of accurately fitting spectacles, and repairing watches, clocks and jewelry. Customers are assured of courteous and fair treatment and first-class work.

It is not often that a town of this size has a competent optician. Dr. Moore is a graduate from one of the best optical schools and has had several years of successful practice. All who need glasses should consult him.

Sale of Coal Properties.

Harry A. Loche, of Philadelphia, acting for himself and associates, has contracted to purchase four operating coal mines on the O. & B.S. division of the C. & O., and will take the properties as soon as titles have been approved. The properties will be consolidated and the entire output will be used for manufacturing coke, over 2,000 coke ovens to be constructed. Mr. Loche is negotiating for additional coal properties, and all the mines will be equipped with electrical machinery for cutting, lighting and power. He is also negotiating with an export lumber company relative to cutting timber on the lands.

Marriage at Cherokee.

On last Friday evening, February 12, a quiet little wedding took place at the beautiful residence of W. H. C. Thompson, of Cherokee. Their youngest daughter, Aurie B. Thompson, was united in marriage to J. J. Ward, son of J. T. Ward, a prominent merchant of this place. Rev. J. O. McNeal performed the ceremony. The parlor was well filled with friends and relatives and we earnestly pray to God of heaven that joy and peace crown their pathway, as both are very young. Sweetheart.

Vesie.

Miss Maude Hulette has had another bad attack of nervousness. Miss Annie Miller, who has been very ill is able to be out again. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Fandley, a boy.

Joel Cunningham has moved into the house vacated by Bud Lambert, and Walter Miller is going to move into the house vacated by Cunningham.

The series of meetings closed at Estop with little success.

Saturday was sale day with about three hundred head of cattle on the market.

Mrs. Joel Cunningham, who has been sick so long, is worse again. Mrs. J. C. Hall has been very ill.

T. Riffe has quit saw milling and is preparing for farming.

Clem Adkins is going to quit huxting.

Morg Church is going to move to R. I. Towler's place.

John McDowell is going to farm C. T. Miller's new ground this season.

Lon Belcher lost four head of nice cattle recently.

Adam Church has left our creek and gone to Carter county.

John Smith is a resident of our creek now.

James Leming is going to John Queen's place at Hulette.

It is reported that people are leaving chickens by night walkers in this community. Rambler.

Correction of Delinquent List.

The name of Alex McKee was published in the delinquent list by mistake. He had paid his taxes and his name got into the list by an error of some kind.

J. B. Clayton.

No School Money.

The report sent out from Frankfort two weeks ago that the February money for teachers had been mailed to Superintendents was incorrect. Supt. Thompson says it will be a week yet before the money arrives.

K. N. C.

Items of Interest About Louisa's Prosperous School.

Ellis Conley, from the Preston Baptist Institute has enrolled as a student in the Kentucky Normal College.

The reception for the students of the surrounding counties and States, is announced for February 19th, 7 p. m. The doors will be opened promptly at 6:45, and all are advised to come early and secure seats. The court house has been secured for the occasion, and every one is invited to attend. The date chosen is the one on which Pres. Alfred Holbrook's birthday is generally celebrated. However, his birthday was celebrated at Lebanon, this year, on the 13th. Many thousands were present and paid just tribute to this distinguished man.

The students of the several counties met Saturday afternoon and organized clubs composed only of students regularly enrolled in the K. N. C., and claiming as their home the county for which they apply for membership.

The purpose of these organizations is to create a spirit of loyalty among the students, for their county and their school, to promote a feeling of good will and friendship towards each other, to act as a medium through which the students may become better acquainted and to work for the success of both the students and the school. The counties already heard from report a good attendance. They are:

Lawrence—Officers elected: E. W. Pendleton, President; Miss Arthur Berry, Vice President; Miss Ada Jones, Secretary; Miss Laura Miller, Assistant Secretary; Frank Crutcher, Treas. Arrangements for the reception to be held to-night (Friday) were made, after which there was some good speaking, Dock Jordan and Ben Fugit entertaining. All members showed enthusiasm, and seemed highly pleased with the results.

Magoffin—Officers elected: Miss Daisy Patrick, President; Joseph Howard, Vice President; R. S. Montgomery, Secretary. There were speeches by the President and Vice President, and also addresses made by several other members, among whom were Messrs. Ramey Wireman, Lacy Carpenter and S. C. Allen. One of the speakers said: "When I came to the K. N. C., I was surprised at the amount of work being done by the students as a whole, and such an enormous attendance, which is daily increasing."

Johnson—Officers elected: Willie Caudill, President; Miss Virgie Collins, Vice President; Miss Ada Stafford, Secretary. After the election of officers several interesting subjects were discussed, and speeches which were greatly enjoyed were made by several of the members. The meeting adjourned, each county determined to make his county the strongest in both intellectual and moral development.

Floyd—Officers elected: K. C. Goodman, President; Miss Cordelia Stewart, Vice President; Miss Bessie Gearheart, Secretary. Speeches were made by Ed Allen, Miss Stewart and Miss Willie Byington, which were well received. The assembly adjourned all feeling highly elated over the results of their organization. Each member is working with might and main to cause his county to lead.

E. W. P.

A Big Sandy Insurance Agent.

The West Virginia State Agency of the Equitable Life Assurance Society has issued its report for 1908. It shows the R. A. Bickel, of Louisa, stands at the head of agents in the number of applications written and second on the list in the total amount of insurance sold and paid for. He began work for the company in April, while all the other leading agents on the list worked the entire year. This is a record worth mentioning.

The two year-old daughter of Milt McKinster, of Adams, fell from a table one day last week and broke one of her legs.

A Good Old Age.

The following from the Big Store Gap Post has sufficient local color to make it interesting to many of our readers:

Samuel Salyers, perhaps the oldest man now living in the south, resides near Norton, in Wise County, Virginia, and is, according to the best information obtainable, 114 years old.

This good natured pioneer of the Virginia mountains spent his life in comparative poverty, not realizing that his possessions were worth millions of dollars. He at one time—and that only a few years ago—owned the entire boundary of fine coal lands laying around the town of Norton.

He is of Irish descent, being a son of one of two brothers who came to this country from North Ireland a hundred and fifty years ago. The Salyers settled at what is known as Salyersville, Ky., and founded that town.

Fruit Still Uninjured.

Those who have examined the fruit buds say that the fruit is still uninjured. The untimely warm spell that threatened to so develop the buds as to insure their destruction was succeeded by the cold snap, which put a stop to further development, and if nothing further happens to it we will have a good fruit crop. It is not thought that the bloom will be as heavy as usual, as many of the smaller spurs were killed by the extremely dry weather last fall.

Gone to Huntington.

Frank Millender and family left here last Monday for Huntington, where they will have residence until Mr. Millender can be better situated. These nice people did not desire to leave Louisa any more than Louisa wanted to lose them, but it was impossible for him to find a suitable house here. Mr. and Mrs. Millender and their children were much liked here, and regret at their departure was general and sincere. They liked Louisa and Louisians, too, and were loath to leave. If they should ever again become residents of this city they will be gladly welcomed.

Ellen.

Several from this place have been attending meeting at Mattie for the last ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson entertained a host of friends Sunday.

Miss Rosa Pendland, of Columbus, O., is visiting home folks at this place.

Mary and Alma Moore attended church at Mattie Sunday night.

Miss Malissa Jordan visited Miss Mollie Lawson Saturday and Sunday.

Leo Berry and Leander Biford are on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cornutte visited their brother John Cornutte Sunday.

Our creek is improving fast. We have two stores, two blacksmiths, two drummers, two barber shops, school, church and a host of pretty girls.

Wiley Moore visited Miss May Bradley Sunday.

Jack Curcutte and wife visited, their brother Green Berry, Sunday.

Loran and Herbert Berry visited friends on Daniel's Creek recently.

L. B. Dale is visiting his father in Boyd county.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore visited Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson last week.

Tom and Jim Carter attended Sunday school at Dry Ridge Sunday.

Two Black Eyes.

Big Mortgage Filed.

The C. & O. Railway Company has recently filed in the counties through which it runs a mortgage for \$30,000,000. This is for funds with which to improve the road.

Solicitor Wallace of the C. & O. has returned from New York, where he went a few days ago in the interest of the bonds and general improvement of the road.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company has rented the first floor of the Snyder concrete block building near the freight depot and will move the plant there soon.

TO DEMOCRATS.

Call for Meeting of Candidates and Committee on Feb. 27.

Notice is hereby given to the Democratic Executive Committee of Lawrence County, Kentucky, and to all Democratic candidates for county offices, that a meeting will be held at the Court House in Louisa at one o'clock p. m., sun time, Saturday, February 27th, 1909, for the purpose of electing a county chairman and of fixing the time and manner for nominating Democratic candidates for county offices to be voted for in November, 1909.

By order of the Committee.

Yatesville.

There will be church at Morgan's creek next Sunday.

Mrs. J. D. Adkins was visiting her aunt, Mrs. S. D. Bradley, Saturday.

Rosa Sparks, of Cattaraugus, W. Va., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jobe.

Married, on the 10th, Charles Adkins to Miss Mary L. Hughes. May happiness be their lot.

Miss Ella Derefield was at Ben Crabtree's Saturday and Sunday.

Dr. J. C. Hall was on Morgan recently.

Mrs. M. Littlefield will leave soon for Morehead, where her husband has a job with the Clearfield Lumber Company.

Birdie Carter, of Osie, was here Saturday.

Charles Atkins took a fine drove of cattle to George Calvin's for R. H. Carter, last week.

We notice in the News where G. W. Castle is out for County Judge. We hope he will succeed.

L. E. Bradley has returned from Catlettsburg where he has been visiting relatives.

Virgie Workman and Mary Burchett are at Gallup this week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bradley, on the 15th, a fine girl.

Dixie.

Pleasant Ridge.

H. Diamond, of Smoky Valley passed through here last Saturday.

Miss Dora Johns is visiting her sister, Mrs. McDowell, of near Louisa.

Chit Workman, of Osie, was here Monday.

W. M. Berry and wife were visiting friends on Twin Branch Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wat Browning attended church at Twin Branch Sunday.

John Berry, of Yatesville, was here Saturday.

Ambrose Estep, of Adams, made a trip here recently.

Miss Mary Low was visiting her sister here Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. W. Bradey was visiting Mrs. R. Blankenship Sunday.

Webb Prince of Osie, passed through here Monday.

Ova Berry is going to visit at Fallsburg soon.

Mrs. Jim Barnett was visiting her parents at Fallsburg Sunday.

Mont Nelson was visiting R. Blankenship Sunday.

Nobody's Darling.

Reception to Sunday School Class

Mrs. F. T. D. Wallace, Sr., gave a reception last Saturday afternoon to her Sunday School class. Each guest represented a Bible character and there was a spirited contest which consisted in guessing what characters were intended to be depicted. There were also other appropriate exercises, and refreshments were served. Those present express themselves as having spent a delightful afternoon.

Clarence Dilley, whose home is near Fallsburg, is First Sergeant of Co. G., 22nd U. S. Inf., Fort Egbert, Alaska. In a letter from that point, subscribing for this paper, he says that at the time of writing the mercury was 69 degrees below zero and still falling. The volatile metal gets very depraved in the thermometer sometimes, but we had no idea it could descend to such depths. Come to think of it they don't use mercury in the thermometer out there, it freezes too easily. They use alcohol.

Fort Gay Items.

(Fort Gay Leader.)

Judge Wilkinson decided the Fort Gay election mandamus case in favor of the petitioners.

Revs. Pucket and Billups are holding a revival meeting at Forks of Hurricane with good success. Five have already been baptized, and several converted.

Revs. Spencer and White will begin a series of meetings at Hawk's Chapel on Hurricane the 4th Sunday night in the present month.

The grand jury at the present term of the circuit court returned about 150 indictments. This is quite an increase over former terms.

Judge Wilkinson is now charging the pistol toters \$50 and 30 days in jail. He says if \$25 and 30 days won't stop the pistol carrying in his county, he thinks \$50 and 30 days will.

Last Thursday, T. M. Zeigler, an employee of the Virginia Car Association, with headquarters at Richmond, Va., stepped off the train at Fort Gay, and from his actions it was soon discovered that he had lost his reason. The N. & W. agent here knew him and notified the officials at Portsmouth. In the meantime Zeigler had told some one that he was a Mason and belonged to Lounay Lodge, Va. A committee was appointed to examine him, and while he would not talk but little, they got enough out of him to satisfy them that he was a member of that lodge. They then wired the Lounay Lodge and got a prompt reply from J. Zerkel, master, that Zeigler was a member of the lodge in good standing and requested Vinson Lodge to look take him to Roanoke, Va. So S. W. Frazier left here with Zeigler on No. 16, Friday, for Roanoke. He was met at Bluefield, W. Va., by the chief clerk of Supt. Cook, of the Radford division of the N. & W. railroad, who accompanied them to Roanoke. He was then sent to Natural Bridge, Va., where he was taken charge of by his brother, Dr. Zeigler.

Mr. Zeigler is of a prominent family, and was holding a responsible position. His reason left him all at once, and he could not tell anything about it. His employers or anyone else knew of his troubles until he was taken charge of here.

Hulette.

The house of John Wooten burned last Thursday with all its contents. Much sympathy is expressed for them as he is blind and unable to walk a step.

Jay Short and wife of near Yatesville were visiting at G. E. Fugett's recently.

W. J. Cochran and wife were visiting the latter's mother at this place Sunday.

James Fugett is at home, laid up with a sprain, sustained at the steel plant in Ashland, last week. Lindsay Nunley went to Zeida last Sunday.

Harmon O'Daniel is building a chimney for Ben Vanhorn on Cat.

The sick in our community are all improved.

Hose Cochran, of Fallsburg, can be seen in this vicinity most any Sunday.

W. M. Brooks and Tom Chaffin, of Mud river, made a visit here last week.

Eph Morrow, of Zeida, moved to this place last week.

Jas. Saulsberry and wife visited at C. R. Layne's last Sunday.

Ben O'Daniel, of this place, visited relatives at Price, W. Va., recently.

Squire Compton is having a large number of logs hauled to Blaine.

Candidates are getting almost as thick as black birds.

Mrs. Rosanna Jarrel is very ill.

Quite a number of the young folks attended the revival at Buchanan Chapel recently.

Valentine.

Fire at Hulette.

The house of John Wooten, of Hulette, near Catalpa, was with its contents, entirely destroyed by fire last Thursday. Mr. Wooten is totally blind and the loss falls upon him very heavily.